

# Warren Central High School

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**Grades: 9-12**  
**Teachers: 205**  
**Enrollment: 3,850**  
**Nickname: Warriors**  
**School Colors: Black & Gold**

## Mission Statement

Warren Central High School/Walker Career Center prepares all students to become responsible citizens and lifelong learners in a diverse society.

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## Co-Curricular Activities

- ⇒ 32% of Warren Central Students are involved in athletics.
- ⇒ Sixty-four coaches fill 78 coaching positions, including two trainers and one strength coach.
- ⇒ Thirty-three different male and female sports are available at the freshman, junior varsity and varsity level.
- ⇒ Tutoring is offered before and after school.
- ⇒ Academic organizations include: Brain Game, German Club, National Honor Society, Junior Classical League, *Owl* Newspaper, Science Olympiad, Speech and Debate, Wigwam Yearbook, Hoosier Boys and Girls State, National Forensic League, and National Vocational Technical Society, National Art Honor Society,
- ⇒ Winterguard, Concert Band, Concert Choir, Connection choir, Drama, Freshman band and choirs, "Gold Brigade" marching band, Hi-Lites choir, Honors Band, Percussion Ensemble, Drama Club, Jazz Band, and Stage Crew are offered in the Performing Arts area.
- ⇒ The Walker Career Center offers the following vocational/technical opportunities: W.C.T.V., W.E.D.M. Radio, Skills USA Computer Networking, Skills USA Machine Trades, Skills USA Electronics, Skills USA Auto Mechanics, Academy of Information Technology, Skills USA 3D Computer Animation and Visualization, Business Professionals Assoc., Skills USA Restaurant Management, Academy of Finance, Skills USA Welding, Skills USA Auto Collision, Skills USA Building Trades, Project S.E.T., Respect Diversity Program, Health Careers and Cosmetology.
- ⇒ Clubs: state's largest Student Council, Class Act, Boredom Busters, FCA, Jr. Alpha Men, Ambassadors, Peacemakers, Just Say No Club, Key Club, Distinguished Gentlemen



## Warren Central High School Walker Career Center

### Our Beliefs

- All students can learn.
- Teachers hold high expectations for all students.
- Each person in the school is valued as an individual and is treated with respect.
- Career awareness activities are valuable.
- Competency in technology is essential.
- Effective education requires communication, cooperation, and shared responsibility among school, family, and community members.
- Diversity is a strength and multicultural experiences are vital components of the educational process.
- Students develop character and responsibility through co-curricular opportunities.
- Quality instruction requires a safe school environment.
- Warren Central High School/Walker Career Center provide students with a foundation for good citizenship.
- Students learn life skills which reinforce responsibilities to family and society.



## School History

Warren Central High School is an educational institution that can trace its beginnings in Indianapolis back more than a century. Consolidated from two, overcrowded schools in 1924, Warren Central High School has a strong history of excellence. Warren was created as an amalgamate of the Shadeland and Cumberland schools, two schools which catered to junior and high school students until the construction of the new high school. Today, Warren Central High School and the Walker Career Center cover almost one million square feet “under one roof.” The Vision 2005 building project has brought state-of-the-art renovations for the near 3,900 students. These additions and renovations have included a ninth grade academy that includes forty classrooms, new field house, and a natatorium.

## Educational Programs & Services:

Warren Central High School has a comprehensive, state-of-the-art curriculum. In preparing today’s high school students to assume leadership roles in all areas of society, Warren Central offers over 660 courses and a myriad of academic programs. All students are required to complete 46 credits for graduation and pass the state of Indiana’s graduation exam. Warren Central’s scores on all state of Indiana standardized testing have continued to soar over the past years. We continue to meet or exceed state averages. Our graduates are encouraged to be a part of J.A.M.S. Warren Central wants to involve each graduating senior in a Job, Apprenticeship, Military, or School — thus the acronym J.A.M.S.

**In preparing today’s high school students for the future, the faculty and staff at Warren Central High School and the Walker Career Center offer a myriad of academic and vocational coursework.**

- Freshman Transitional Program – Going for the G.O.L.D.

- Advanced Computer Instruction
- Gifted & Talented Program
- Marine JROTC Program
- W.C.T.V.
- W.E.D.M. Radio
- Sony World Language Lab
- Vocational Training in Walker Career Center
- Extensive Summer School Program
- 300+ Partners in Education (Community & Businesses)
- Student Leadership Program & Retreats
- Advanced Placement Testing
- M.I.C. Conference – Charter Member
- Computerized Writing Labs
- *Owl* Newspaper
- Peer Facilitation
- Scholastic Sports
- Wigwam Yearbook
- Performing & Fine Arts Programs
- Project S.E.T. (Student/Exploration/Teaching)
- “Set A Good Example” Program
- Adult & Continuing Education
- Student Foreign Exchange
- Respecting Diversity Program

## Parent and Patron Involvement

**The Parent/Teacher/Student Association is an important and valuable part of the school community. Several parent booster clubs are active in band, orchestra, vocal music and athletics. The Dads’ Club assists in tutoring, supervision, and as instructional assistants. A successful Partners in Education Program exists with over three hundred community/business memberships. The partnerships actually support student leadership, student achievement, service, academic recognition, the Set A Good Example Program, and our annual Set A Good Example Banquet. The school newsletter is distributed to parents, partners, and other patrons at least six times per school year.**

## Honors and Achievements

Since 1983-84, Warren Central High School has been officially recognized as a “National School of Excellence” and as an Indiana Blue Ribbon School. Warren graduates have earned National Merit and other scholarships that have enabled them to achieve their goals. Co-curricular activities and student involvement in these activities are unparalleled in the state of Indiana. Championship caliber music programs and athletic teams have been the rule not the exception. The school newspaper and yearbook have received national accolades. Individual students consistently win awards in academic and performance competitions. Warren Central’s Alumni Hall of Fame is laced with local and nationally renowned individuals. Some of the honors and achievements from the 2009-2010 school year include:

- ⇒ SkillsUSA Animation Team - 6th in the nation
- ⇒ The Owl finalist for Pacemaker award - considered the Pulitzer in scholastic journalism
- ⇒ WCHS Show Choirs connection with *Glee* - FOX Television show
- ⇒ WCHS Band - Grammy Signature Award Nominee
- ⇒ Football State Champions
- ⇒ IACTED Award for Excellence - Academy of Cosmetology
- ⇒ 2010 Technical Theatre State Champions
- ⇒ Football player named to *PARADE* All-American Team
- ⇒ Girls Basketball Team Sectional Champs for 1st time since 1991
- ⇒ Two individual state wrestling champs - first time ever
- ⇒ Six students awarded Lilly internships
- ⇒ Four SkillsUSA State Champions
- ⇒ Biomedical studies program has grown to over 150 students signed up in three courses
- ⇒ Fifteen Common goal students received paid summer internships
- ⇒ Gold Brigade Band - 2009 Indiana State Semi-Finalist
- ⇒ WCHS Work Class Winterguard - 2010 State Bronze Medalist and World Championship Finalist
- ⇒ WCHS Science Academic Team were finalists for second year in a row in the High School Principal Academic Competition
- ⇒ *The Indianapolis Business Journal* selected the Warren performing arts center as one of the “Top Performing Arts Organizations” of 2009
- ⇒ Warren’s Volleyball Team - Sectional Champs
- ⇒ Project Lead The Way - top 25 in the nation
- ⇒ Warren Central Speech Team - State Finals placed 2nd in AAA and 3rd overall in the state
- ⇒ “Dream It Do It” champion school
- ⇒ Annual Leadership Retreats held at Camp Belzer
- ⇒ Boys Cross Country both Sectional and Regional champs
- ⇒ Symphonic Band - 2010 State Qualification Gold Rating